

Confirmation of Temporary Officials of P.W.D.

474. Sri K. M. PUTTASWAMY (Chickballapur).—

Will the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state :—

(a) whether Government intend to confirm the temporary officials working in the Establishment of Public Works Department or whether they propose to extend any other facilities to them ;

(b) if so, the specific steps taken by Government in that behalf ?

A.—Sri VEERENDRA PATIL (Minister for Public Works).—

(a) No.

(b) Does not arise in view of reply to (a) above.

Consent to the Mysore Land Reforms Second (Amendment) Bill, 1967

475. Sri SADASHIV SHEETAR (Hubli).—

Sri S. R. BOMMAI (Kundgol).—

Will the Minister for Revenue and Forests be pleased to state :—

(a) whether it is a fact that President of India has not accorded his consent to the Mysore Land Reforms (Amendment) Bill, 1967 ;

(b) if so, the reasons for the same ?

A.—Sri B. RACHAIAH (Minister for Revenue and Forests).—

(a) No.

(b) Does not arise in view of reply to clause (a).

Member's Representation

† Sri G. CHANDRAKANTH (Bidar)—Sir, before you take up the next item, I wish to bring to your notice that I have given notice under rule 177 and 178 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the House. This notice pertains to breach of privilege committed by a paper published in Hyderabad “Rahnuma-e-Deccan”. This paper in its issue on 19th March 1968 has published wrong information pertaining to me. This publication is under the caption : “Urdu”

In fact the main theme of the publication is that there was communal feeling continuing at Bidar on 15th March 1968, that is, on the day of the Holi. On the 15th and 16th I was present here taking part in the deliberations of this House. This has been published only with the intention of undermining my reputation among the voters in my constituency. This report says that I was present there on the 15th and I instigated the people to put colours on the ladies. As I have stated

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just now, I was taking part in the deliberations of the House on that day. After seeing it I rushed to Bidar and in the meanwhile I found that peace was restored. This has been published with the intention to bring to the notice of the people that I am not taking part or representing their cause on the floor of this House and also with the intention that my reputation is undermined and looked down upon by the people of my constituency particularly by muslims, and this is falsely reported. I may be permitted to move this motion.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—I will examine the matter. The member has given the papers also and I will examine it.

Sri G. CHANDRAKANTH. —I have given relevant papers and also Attendance Certificate issued by the Secretary, Legislature.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—It is an important matter and I will apply my mind to it. Now next item.

CALLING ATTENTION TO MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

Sri S. R. BOMMAI (Kundgol).—I call the attention of the Minister for Agriculture and Education to the falling prices of agricultural products :

Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA.—Due to good harvest in some parts of the State and outside, the prices are no doubt coming down. For certain commodities support prices have been fixed by Government of India and if the rates go below that, the Government of India would probably do the needful.

Support prices are as follows :

		1965-66	1966-67	1967-68
<i>Paddy :</i>				
Fine	...	42.50	42.50	50.00
Midfine	...	39.50	39.50	47.00
Medium	...	36.50	36.50	44.00
Coarse	...	35.50	35.50	43.00
Ragi	...	Nil	Nil	42.00
<i>Jowar :</i>				
White	...	39.00	39.00	42.00
Red	...	37.00	37.00	42.00
Yellow	...	38.00	38.00	42.00
Bajra	...	40.00	40.00	42.00
Maize	...	36.00	36.00	42.00